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SUBJECT: SPANISH DELEGATION TO THE CWC DISCUSSIONS ON HOST COUNTRY AGREEMENTS ON CHALLENGE INSPECTIONS

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[B](#). STATE 122347

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REASONS 1.4 (B) & (D)

[1](#). (C) In response to reftel request regarding Spain's participation in host country agreement (HCA) discussions on the margins of the 29 November-3 December session of the 9th Conference of States Parties (CSP), an MFA official told poloff November 10 that the following officials plan to attend:

- Mr. Marcos RODRIGUEZ Cantero, Deputy Director General for International Disarmament Affairs, Spanish Foreign Ministry
- Mr. Jose QUEDEVO Ruiz, Ministry of Defense
- Ms. Nieves GOMEZ, Technical Advisor, National Authority for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons

In addition, one other official from Spain's mission to the Hague will also attend the bilat.

[2](#). (C) Rodriguez told poloff November 10 that the GOS is likely to conclude internal discussions this week on a proposal to add two amendments to a recent version of the CWC (ref B). Rodriguez offered no additional details on the proposed amendments, but poloff will follow up with him to report any developments that come out of the MFA discussions.
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